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SUBJECT: SYRIAN MEDIA TAKES SATISFACTION FROM RESULTS OF
NACCFM

1. SYRIAN MEDIA APRIL 12 TRUMPETED RESULTS OF FOREIGN
MINISTERS' NON-ALIGNED COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING IN
NEW DELHI. PRESS HEADLINED, "NON-ALIGNED COORDINATION COMMITTEE
ENDORSES SYRIAN AND PALESTINIAN WORKING PAPERS. SECURITY
COUNCIL URGED TO ADOPT EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO BRING ABOUT
ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL AND TO ENABLE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE TO
EXERCISE THEIR NATIONAL RIGHTS." LENGTHY ARTICLES REPORTED
THAT SYRIA WORKING PAPER RELATING TO ME PROBLEM HAD BEEN
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ADOPTED IN TOTO. FOUR POINTS CONTAINED IN PAPER GIVEN
VERBATIM IN PRESS AND CAN BE SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:

A. ME PROBLEM POSES GRAVE THREAT TO WORLD PEACE AND
ISRAELI POLICY OF "OCCUPATION AND EXPANSION" BLAMED.

B. ISRAEL FOLLOWING OCCUPATION POLICIES WHICH VIOLATE

ON WIDE SCALE INTERNATIONAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS
AND GENEVA CONVENTION ON PROTECTION CIVILIANS IN TIME OF
WAR.

C. ACTIONS OF ISRAEL WITH US SUPPORT TO PROLONG STALEMATE
DEPLORED AND COMMITTEE REAFFIRMED THAT PEACE COULD ONLY BE
ESTABLISHED BY FULL ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM ALL
OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND RESOTRATION PALESTINIAN RIGHTS.

D. 31ST SESSION OF UN LAUDED FOR RESOLUTIONS IT PASSED
PERTAINING TO PROBLEM AND UNSC CALLED UPON TO ESTABLISH TIME-
TABLE FOR ISRAEL'S TOTAL WITHDRAWAL.

2. ARTICLES FURTHER REPORTED THAT FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS
PROPOSED BY SYRO-PLO DELEGATIONS WERE ALL INCLUDED
IN NACCFM FINAL COMMUNIQUE:

A. ISRAEL CONDEMNED FOR FOLLOWING RACIST, EXPANSIONIST
POLICIES AND DENYING PALESTINIANS THEIR "INALIENABLE RIGHTS."

B. RESOLUTIONS OF FIFTH NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT RECALLED WHICH
ASK FOR MORE EFFECTIVE MEASURES BY NON-ALIGNED STATES TO
PRESSURE ISRAEL IN FACE OF PROTECTION IT RECEIVES IN UNSC
FROM US VETOES.

C. UNSC ALLED UPON TO MEET AT EARLY DATE TO ADOPT
EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED
IN REPORT OF UN COMMITTEE ON PALESTINIAN RIGHTS.

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D. SATISFACTION VOICED AT UNGA RESOLUTIONS 3236
AND 3375 WHICH PROVIDE FOR PALESTINAIANS TO EXERCISE THEIR
RIGHTS OF REPATRIATION AND SELF-DETERMINATION, AND RIGHT
OF PLO TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES
CONNECTED WITH PALESTINIAN PROBLEM AFFIRMED.

E. COLOMBO SUMMIT RESOLUTIONS RECALLED WHICH ASK FOR ALL
NON-ALIGNED STATES TO EXTEND SUPPORT IN ALL FORMS TO
PALESTINIAN'S STRUGGLE TO REGAIN THEIR RIGHTS.

3. DURING PAST WEEK SYRIAN MEDIA HAVE CARRIED NEWS ABOUT THE
CONFERENCE INCLUDING AT LEAST ONE FRONT PAGE ARTICLE PER
DAY. KHADDAM'S SPEECH TO NACCFM AND SYRIA'S ELECTION AS
GENERAL RAPPORTEUR RECEIVED ESPECIALLY HEAVY COVERAGE.

4. COMMENT: HEAVY MEDIA COVERAGE OF MEETINGS REFLECTS
CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE SYRIA ATTACHES TO MAINTENANCE OF
THIRD WORLD SUPPORT FOR ARABS AND "LEGITIMACY"
SUCH SUPPORT GIVES PLO AND PALESTINIAN CAUSE. EVEN THOUGH

IT DIFFICULT TO TRANSLATE THESE RESOLUTIONS INTO REAL
PROGRESS TOWARD PEACE, SYRIANS VIEW THEM AS PART OF POLICY
OF ISOLATING ISRAEL INTERNATIONALLY AND PUTTING PRESSURE
ON GOI TO ACCEPT VARIOUS UN RESOLUTIONS.
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